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FROM: BONN

TO: Secretary of State

NO: 297, JULY 31, 2 PM

FOLLOWING FROM CINCUSAREUR DATED JULY 31, 0853Z

"NIACT SENT AMEMBASSY BONN RPTD INFO USCOB BERLIN

TO AMEMB BONN FOR AMBASSADOR BRUCE, USCOB FOR HAMLETT

SX 5761. FROM CINCUSAREUR SGD HODES

1. REF: BONN SGD BRUCE TO CINCUSAREUR 74, 31 JUL 58.
2. THE SOVIETS SHOULD BE TOLD IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE LANGUAGE THAT ANY FORM OF INSPECTION OF OUR CONVOY OR VEHICLES IS COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE. AS FOR MEETING WITH MARKUHIN, THERE APPEARS TO BE NO FURTHER NEED FOR DISCUSSION OF THE MATTER ON OTHER POINTS IF TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED ON THE DOCUMENTATION PROPOSED BY ZAKHAROV (WHICH I THINK WE CAN LIVE WITH, SINCE IT IS SO MUCH SIMPLER THAN PRESENT DOCUMENTATION). FURTHER, I HOPE WE CAN GET AGREEMENT WITH OUR ALLIES TO TEST THE NEW PROCEDURE AS SOON AFTER 1 AUG AS POSSIBLE.
3. IF TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT CANNOT BE REACHED ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED ABOVE, YOUR PROPOSAL APPEARS TO BE THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE."

BRUCE

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